

the Vietnam conflict; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. BURNS, and Mr. DORGAN):

S. 1429. A bill to enhance rail competition and to ensure reasonable rail rates in any case in which there is an absence of effective competition; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HELMS:

S. 1430. A bill to suspend from January 1, 1998, until December 31, 2002, the duty on SE2SI Spray Granulated (HOE S 4291); to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1431. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on a certain chemical; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1432. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on a certain chemical; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1433. A bill to suspend temporarily on a certain chemical; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1434. A bill to suspend until January 1, 2001, the duty on a certain chemical; to the Committee on Finance.

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S. 1436. A bill to suspend until January 1, 2001, the duty on a chemical; to the Committee on Finance.

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By Mr. DODD:

S. 1453. A bill to establish a Commission on Fairness in the Workplace, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. BOND (for himself, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. WARNER, Mr. BAUCUS, and Mr. D'AMATO):

S. 1454. A bill to provide a 6-month extension of highway, highway safety, and transit programs pending enactment of a law reauthorizing the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991; considered and passed.

By Mr. CHAFEE (for himself and Mr. REED):

S. 1455. A bill to provide financial assistance for the relocation and expansion of Haffenreffer Museum of Anthropology, Providence, Rhode Island; considered and passed.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself and Mr. BURNS):

S. 1456. A bill to authorize an interpretive center at Fort Peck Dam, Montana; considered and passed.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. SPECTER (for himself and Mr. BYRD):

S. Res. 146. A resolution establishing an advisory role for the Senate in the selection of Supreme Court Justices; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LOTT (for himself and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. Res. 147. A resolution to authorize testimony, production of documents, and representation in First American Corp., et al. v. Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al-Nahyan, et al; considered and agreed to.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. HELMS (for himself, Mr. GLENN, Mr. DEWINE, and Mr. FAIRCLOTH):

S. 1397. A bill to establish a commission to assist in commemoration of the centennial of powered flight and the achievements of the Wright brothers; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

THE CENTENNIAL OF FLIGHT COMMEMORATIVE ACT

Mr. HELMS. Madam President, I have a bill, S. 1397, at the desk. Now, Senators DEWINE, FAIRCLOTH, GLENN, and I are introducing this legislation, and we are naming it the Centennial of Flight Commemorative Act. As I indicated, the bill number is S. 1397.

This significant legislation will establish a commission to assist the numerous events that will lead up to and include the celebration of the 100th anniversary of powered flight, a feat in all the history books, accomplished in my State of North Carolina by the geniuses, two brothers, Orville and Wilbur Wright, Ohio brothers who were born and raised in Dayton where they operated a bicycle shop.

I don't know whether you have been to Kitty Hawk, particularly in the middle of December, but it is not a comfortable place to be. Wilbur and Orville came to the Outer Banks of North Carolina to conduct their experiments. The first powered flight occurred at Kitty Hawk, NC, on December 17, 1903. In fact, the Wright brothers engaged in four flights that day, and with their effort they changed the concept of travel forever.

About noon on that cold and windy December day, at Kitty Hawk, NC, the aviation age, the air age, began.

So, Madam President, the Wright brothers were indisputably the first pioneers of powered flight, and they became national heroes, justifiably etched in history.

As for our bill, S. 1397, the able Senator from Ohio, Mr. DEWINE, and the able Senator from Ohio, Mr. GLENN, did excellent work in drafting this legislation.

Senator GLENN, I am obliged to mention, and I am glad to do so, is a man of history himself in terms of powered flight. He was the first American, as all of us know, to orbit the Earth. When he walks up and down the corridors, I see mamas and daddies pointing to him saying, "That's Senator GLENN." Senator GLENN and six other pioneers, the Mercury astronauts, got America's space program off the ground.

Madam President, S. 1397—let me say the title again so it will register—the Centennial of Flight Commemorative Act—proposes the establishment of a commission of 21 individuals to plan for and assist in events leading up to and including the commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the Wright brothers' flights at Kitty Hawk. The commission will be composed of the Secretary of the Interior, the Director of the National Air and Space Museum, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Transportation, the NASA Administrator, and each of these officials can name a designee. Then there will be two representatives each from the States of North Carolina and Ohio and 12 other private citizens.

Of these 12 private citizens, the President of the United States will appoint two from a list recommended by the Senate majority leader in consultation with the Senate minority leader, and two from a list recommended by the Speaker of the House in consultation with the House minority leader. The remaining eight will be chosen based on qualifications and/or experience in the fields of history, aerospace, science, industry, or other professions that will enhance the work of the commission.

The commission will represent the United States and take a leadership role with other nations in recognizing the achievement of the Wright brothers and the importance of aviation history.

The commission's activities will be closely coordinated with the First Flight Centennial Commission and the First Flight Centennial Foundation of North Carolina and the 2003 Committee of the State of Ohio. The commission is allowed to retain an executive director and staff that may be required in order to carry out its functions.

S. 1397 authorizes appropriations of \$250,000 for each of the fiscal years 1998 to 2004 to fund the work of the commission.

Additionally, the commission may accept monetary contributions and other in kind contributions, volunteer